

Artistic memories



COURTESY PHOTOS

K-State receives works by former professor

By Gloria Funcheon
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Beach Museum of Art recently received more than 70 works of art by Roy C. Langford, a former K-State professor who retired in 1973 after 40 years of teaching psychology.

After receiving his doctorate degree in psychology from Stanford University, Langford did not abandon his love of art. As a result of this dual passion, his doctoral thesis was a study of how eyes move across a picture and what this says about the viewer in relation to the art.

“Langford was interested in how people look at art and how they conceived of art,” said Liz Seaton, associate curator of the Beach Museum.

He continued to mix his two passions and taught a course over the psychology of art, which “emphasized the way we look and react to art in relation to the upbringing of the artist,” Seaton said.

Jean Andrews, Langford’s daughter, said all her father wanted to do was expose people to art in a way they have never seen before.

Many of Langford’s donated works are watercolor compositions of scenic landscapes in Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico and California.

“He loved the land and loved being outdoors,” Andrews said.

Langford drew inspiration from just being outside and walking around, Andrews said, and several of his paintings depicted places the family would visit on vacation.

Andrews also said Langford took great care to capture the climate in a painting. The daughter described her father’s paintings as a combination of weather observations with his interpretation of the land.

“He didn’t just paint the visual surface,” she said. “He was painting his understanding and his love of the land.”

Langford also made his own frames

to complete a piece.

“This was typical of the region,” Seaton said. “Artists wanted their frames to match the work, so they would build their own frames.”

Martha Scott, administrative officer of the Beach Museum, said Langford’s pieces were donated by his family to the Beach because “his family wanted a place for his art and to make sure his works were taken care of.”

While most of his works are currently in storage, Scott said Langford’s paintings, as well as sketchbooks, are available for researchers to study.

“Sketchbooks don’t usually sell in the private market, but they are very valuable to us,” Seaton said. “They can show us the development of the artist and their work.”

Two paintings are currently on display in the Ruth Ann Wefald Gallery of the Beach Museum. While enough works were donated for a full exhibit, nothing has been planned yet, Seaton said.

Researcher links ‘tough’ persona with more stress

By Katherine Wartell
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A recent study by a K-State researcher found that concern for maintaining a tough persona can lead to unhealthy stress management habits, which increases stress for both male and female police officers.

Don Kurtz, assistant professor of social work, studied the stress levels of male and female police officers and the methods they used to decrease stress. In his research, Kurtz said he took into account societal expectations of both men and women, and his findings are based on data from a study conducted in Maryland, as well as his own interviews with police officers from three different police departments.

Kurtz concluded that the culture in which police officers work, with its emphasis on appearing “macho,” limits ways for men to reduce stress because of the fear of appearing weak, while it also alienates female police officers working in this male-dominated field. In this subculture, Kurtz said he found that, according to the officers, using excessive force in front of peers was seen as more respectable than crying, which was seen as worthy of mocking. He said male police officers did not want to be seen as emotionally weak while female police officers did not want to be seen as physically weak.

In his study, Kurtz wrote that the nature of the job requirements, the police organizational structure and interactions with the public are the main sources of stress for police officers.

Al Johnson, Riley County commissioner and former police officer, said stress is the result of continued exposure to potential danger.

“You don’t know if you are walking into a dangerous situation,” he said. “For some officers, their systems don’t return back to normal and it becomes a problem.”

Johnson said counseling is provided but, like Kurtz found in his study, it is not heavily used. Instead, Kurtz found male police officers would often tell war stories and participate in social binge drinking where their stories would, over time, become more exaggerated. Women were generally excluded from these social gatherings. For the men, though, the sharing of stories did not manage the underlying stress, Kurtz said. Female officers generally sought out friends and loved ones to help manage stress, he said.

Kurtz said jokes were also used by police officers in an attempt to decrease stress, including gender-related jokes. He said that according to one officer, emotion shown on the job would lead to constant teasing, therefore jokes were meant to bring humor to a situation.

“Jokes allow us to say things with a degree of protection,” Kurtz said. “[Jokes] can deflect anger.”

Gender-related jokes, however, were found to increase the stress for both female and male police officers. In his study, Kurtz theorized that women’s stress levels increased because the jokes were often belittling or sexually inappropriate while the jokes also potentially caused stress for men with a higher education. Kurtz argued these men, whose perceptions on gender might have been challenged by their education, were perhaps less likely to exhibit

City commission candidates discuss Aggieville issues in open forum

By Elizaveta Zheganina
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Candidates for Manhattan City Commission answered questions at a forum Sunday in Kathouse Lounge in Aggieville.

Sponsored by the Aggieville Business Association, the forum provided an opportunity to not only address issues pertinent to Aggieville, but to hear candidates’ election platforms before the general election on April 7.

The candidates voiced their opinions about streetscapes in retail areas, zoning board appointments, changes to sign ordinances, new and historical building policies, safety in Aggieville, parking and public transportation, and the plans for a new discovery center.

Debbie Nuss was the only candidate absent from the forum.

Current City Commissioner Jim Sherow opened the question and answer session speaking in support of improving streetscapes

General Election
April 7

City Commission Candidates

Mark J. Hatesohl
Jayme Morris-Hardeman
Debbie Nuss
Loren J. Pepperd
Tom Phillips
James E. Sherow
Vincent Tracey



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Manhattan City Commission candidate **Jayme Morris-Hardeman** answers a question as other candidates listen during an open forum Sunday night at the Kathouse Lounge in Aggieville. Candidates are, from left, **Mark Hatesohl**, **Loren Pepperd**, **Vincent Tracey**, **Tom Phillips**, **Jim Sherow** and Morris-Hardeman. Candidate Debbie Nuss was not present.

transportation, with K-State being a partner in city efforts.

An advocate of sustainable development, Jayme Morris-Hardeman argued in favor of streetscapes and public transportation. She also said safety should be the major concern of any local government.

Morris-Hardeman

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Puzzles | Eugene Sheffer

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13 Forcefully
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19 Idea
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24 Hit with an open hand
25 Brazilian resort
26 Joke
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31 Right angles
33 Poorly lit
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36 Cut corners
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1 Tummy muscles
2 Sticky stuff
3 Pussy-cat's partner
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10 Sandwich cookie
11 Hammer-head part
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Recreational Services is seeking softball officials. Starting pay is \$7.50 per hour. The training clinic will be at 5 p.m. today and Tuesday. To qualify, attend both sessions at Peters Recreation Complex. Officials must be a K-State student and enrolled in a minimum of 6 credit hours. For more information, contact Armando Espinoza at 785-532-6980.

Intramural entries for indoor soccer will be accepted today through Thursday in the administrative office at Peters Recreation Complex. Sign up a men's team or a women's team. League play begins April 1. For more information, call 785-532-6980 or go to www.recservices.k-state.edu.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Joseph Atkins at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Hale 401. The thesis topic is

"Synthesis and Properties of Resorcin[4] Arene Based Quadrupoles and Dimeric Electrostatic Capsules."

The sexual assault support group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Women's Center in Holton Hall. For more information, visit www.ksu.edu/womenscenter or call 785-532-6444.

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The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Mbakisa Onyango at 8 a.m. Friday in Fiedler 0088. The thesis topic is "Verification of Mechanistic Prediction Models for Permanent Deformation in Asphalt Mixes Using Accelerated Pavement Testing."

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Paula Ford at 9 a.m. March 30 in Justin 128. The thesis topic is "The Local Food Environment and its Association with Obesity Among Low-Income Women Across the Urban-Rural Continuum in Kansas."

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Trinity Davis at

THIS DAY IN HISTORY ...

'GIVE ME LIBERTY OR GIVE ME DEATH'

During a speech before the second Virginia Convention, Patrick Henry responded to the increasingly oppressive British rule over the American colonies by declaring, "I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!" Following the signing of the American Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, Henry was appointed governor of Virginia by the Continental Congress.

The first major American opposition to British policy came in 1765 after Parliament passed the Stamp Act, a taxation measure to raise revenues for a standing British army in America. Under the banner of "no taxation without representation," colonists convened the Stamp Act Congress in October 1765 to vocalize their opposition to the tax. With its enactment on November 1, 1765, most colonists called for a boycott of British goods and some organized attacks on the customhouses and homes of tax

collectors. After months of protest, Parliament voted to repeal the Stamp Act in March 1765.

'OK' FIRST ENTERS VOCABULARY

On this day in 1839, the initials "O.K." were first published in The Boston Morning Post. Meant as an abbreviation for "oll correct," a popular slang misspelling of "all correct" at the time, OK steadily made its way into the everyday speech of Americans.

During the late 1830s, it was a favorite practice among younger, educated circles to misspell words intentionally, then abbreviate them and use them as slang when talking to one another. Just as teenagers today have their own slang based on distortions of common words, such as "kewl" for "cool" or "DZ" for "these," the "in crowd" of the 1830s had a whole host of slang terms they abbreviated. Popular abbreviations included "KY" for "No use" ("know yuse"), "KG" for "No go" ("Know go"), and "OW" for all right ("oll wright").

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COURTESY PHOTO
Members of the K-State Concert Choir pose inside the Minoritenkirche, a French Gothic-style church in Vienna, Austria, after giving the final concert of their spring break tour. The group also performed at St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna and St. Nicholas Church in Prague, Czech Republic, where they were greeted by several K-State students studying abroad in the city.



JACQUE
HAAG

Just 10 days ago, I had never left this continent. But during spring break, I had the rare opportunity to travel to Europe and sing with a group from K-State in some amazing places.

EUROPEAN CONCERT TOUR

Members of the K-State Concert Choir, along with the choir's co-directors, Joshua Oppenheim and Julie Yu, assistant professors of music, and several sponsors, traveled to Prague, Czech Republic, and Vienna, Austria, to perform in several famous churches along the way. In all, there were 35 members in our group. In just seven days, I passed through four countries, eight cities and seven airports, traveling in cars, buses, trams, subways and airplanes. It seemed like such a big feat for a small-town Kansas girl.

PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

Before visiting, I didn't know much about Prague. One friend studying abroad had told me mainly about her American roommates there and interesting trivia about the country's religious background. Someone else described the city and its beautiful architecture as "otherworldly." I just couldn't wait to see it. As it turned out, it was unlike anything I could have imagined. Prague sits on both the Vltava and Danube rivers, which means this ancient city has some pretty spectacular bridges. My favorite part of Prague was its architecture. A tour guide explained that the buildings were constructed using influences from other parts of the world as well as other periods in history. Many of the buildings and churches were made of limestone, just as the beautiful buildings on K-State's campus are. Everywhere we looked, we saw red-orange rooftops or aqua-blue domes. Many structures had trim gilded with gold. Spires rose from every part of the city. In Prague, our formal concert was at St. Nicholas Church in a famous section of town called Old Town Square. I was excited for my friend Hannah, a K-State student studying in Prague, and her two roommates – also K-State students – to attend our concert. But the best surprise of all was when I was told that nearly every K-

State student studying in Prague this semester arrived at the church to support us. TEREZIN CONCENTRATION CAMP Perhaps the only somber part of our trip to Europe was when we passed through Terezin, a Czech fortress the Nazis used as a concentration camp during World War II. We had barely taken a step down the cobblestone pathway toward the entrance of the fortress when we could see the thousands upon thousands of tombstones. Though the earlier part of the trip had been filled with high spirits, laughter and goofy photo opportunities, it was clear the mood here had changed. We all looked on with wide eyes as we entered. Our tour guide showed us into many different parts of the camp: holding rooms, rooms filled with bunk beds, shower rooms, bathrooms, the makeshift hospital, even isolation cells. He spoke of what happened in each room, how residents of the camp were ordered to write letters to friends and family about how nice and safe the camp was. None of the inmates at Terezin were gassed there. Many were shot, most died from disease, a few escaped. Of the 97,297 people who died there, 15,000 were children.

VIENNA, AUSTRIA

On our first morning in Vienna, we

gave a recital at St. Stephen's Cathedral, a famous church in the heart of the city. There were few in attendance at 8:40 a.m., but it didn't deter us from enjoying the beauty of the church and its acoustics. Moments after our voices stopped, we could still hear them ring through the hall. We all stood in quiet, reverent awe of this 800-year-old church. During our tour, we passed by an apartment building where Beethoven once lived and toured an interactive music museum called the Haus der Musik. We gave our final concert in yet another famous Gothic church, the Minoritenkirche, before wearily packing our bags and leaving for home early on Friday.

LESSONS FROM TRAVEL

The architecture and city views in Prague were amazing. Walking through a centuries-old palace and eating gelato in Vienna was unforgettable. But the parts of my trip I will cherish most are the bonds I made with those I traveled – with residents of Prague and Vienna, with K-State students I met for the first time in Europe and with other former strangers I happened to meet along the way.

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Fight for your right



Illustration by Elvis Achelpohl | COLLEGIAN

Public needs to step up to stop political failures



ROB DUNN

Since the attacks of Sept. 11, we have heard the dubious assertion, “Freedom isn’t free” many times. The abolitionist Wendell Phillips put it much better when he said, “Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty.” With the government already dealing with two wars and an auto industry in the throes of death, and now wondering why AIG pays retention bonuses to people who no longer work for them, we ordinary citizens are starting to worry that we’ve mortgaged our liberty and failed to make minimum payments of vigilance. The so-called “oversight” bodies in our govern-

ment have become horribly confused. Up until now, they’ve been overlooking instead of overseeing. The people who created the problems we face aren’t suffering. They’re either receiving rewards for their failures, or they’re acting indignant about the situation because they hope we won’t realize that it’s their fault. The money spent on the War on Terror has failed to prevent the spread of terrorism throughout northern Africa and parts of the Middle East. The trillion-plus dollars spent on the War on Drugs has miserably failed to impact drug abuse or prevent the militarization of drug cartels, especially in northern Mexico. What do these things have in common with the financial situation we face? These failures are failures of government that span generations and party affiliation. The current financial scandals resemble the idiocy that plagues the wars on drugs and terror. It is as if the government has now declared a “War on the Economy.” But this time, paradoxically, it appears they’re actually winning. Older generations used to mock the youth. The joke was that we’d only be asking things like, “Paper or plastic?” and “Do you want fries with that?” Now it seems like we’ll ask, “Can you spare some change?”

Obama, like a true politician, has promised us change, but I question whether pledges and “round-tables” fit the bill. As I see it, there are two options. The first is to get some popcorn, candy and soda pop, and enjoy the show. You’ll laugh and you’ll cry, but in the end, you’ll be screwed. The second is get off our collective duff and fight for our right to, well, party. Nobody likes standing in bread lines, but if we don’t explain to our government that things would go better if it only had a brain, we’ll be worse off than we are today. I’m not advocating overthrowing the government or vigilante justice. I’m just saying that voting isn’t enough. If we simply wrote to our representatives and explained how we felt, that would be progress. Many people think politicians are so busy or preoccupied they don’t have the time to deal with our concerns. They’re right. They’ve been too busy screwing things up. We, the people, need to take up more of their time. Otherwise, it’s time we’ll spend in the bread line.

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Fake online identities abound, bring pain, misinformation



MOLLY HAMM

Imagine logging onto an online dating Web site and finding somebody you believe to be a match. They are your age and a college student from California. You message this person a number of times but never hear anything back. Little do you know the profile is far from realistic. Embarrassing as it is to admit, in middle school I created a fake profile on the Web site of the TV show, “Blind Date.” I never actually used the profile, but the point

is I made one and that in itself shows how simple it is to pretend to be someone else. When you look at cases such as the *MySpace.com* hoax that led to the death of 13-year-old Megan Meier, it is clear why many have concerns about the intentions and authenticity of the information people disseminate. It is alarming how easy it is to set up a fake profile. When Megan’s story was first detailed, there was debate over whether the mother of a friend, who was responsible for creating a fake profile of a teenage boy that eventually pushed Megan to suicide, should be named. As a November 2007 article from Editor & Publisher points out, the blogging and online community was outraged and believed that the guilty party should be identified. One of the most positive developments in the concern over identity and information posted on the Web is that followers are extremely vigilant about holding others accountable for who they are

and what they say. Users and advocates of new media have no trouble maintaining high standards and pointing out fakes in their midst, and bad reputations spread like wildfire on the Web. It does not mean that fake or misleading material is non-existent online. It does exist, and in large quantities, but there are differences in our receptivity of that content. For instance, when looking for *whitehouse.gov*, one might accidentally run across the satirical site with a similar address (formerly just *whitehouse.org*) which provides critiques about the Bush administration. Most audiences would need to read only a few sentences on the homepage to know that this site was a critique rather than a news source. Because followers see it for what it is, it’s a popular destination. On the other hand, this past fall, an MSNBC anchor quoted Martin Eisenstadt as a McCain policy adviser who leaked that Sarah Palin was unaware that Africa was a conti-

nent. The story? Completely false. Eisenstadt? A fake identity at the center of a hoax, receiving widespread attention for being quoted by national news media. There is a thin line between what we read and what we should believe on the Web, and sometimes even national experts fall for misleading information. As we continue to use online media for our information, it is important that we represent ourselves accurately and use our power as online citizens to ensure high standards of identity and information are maintained. It takes only one person to spot false information and, with the right knowledge of how the Web works, the false information can be shattered within a matter of seconds.

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My friend invented a new game called Genital Tag. The only problem is how do girls tag back?

To the girl at the Rec who let me use her bench: You have absolutely perfect legs. We

should go out.

K-State did not want to win today. They had every chance to win, and they were afraid. What are they afraid of?

I just got a two-person Snuggie and I’m saving a spot just for you, Fourum.

Da Bears. And by da Bears, I mean da Bearly Bears.

Chuck Norris is Bruce Lee’s play toy.

Dear Fourum: Fake Patty’s Day gave me green poop on Sunday. Love, me.

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other. Real professional.

My girlfriend and I got lost in my sheets because they’re camo.

Quarterback Carson Coffman has crazy legs.

After the Syracuse-Connecticut game, I’m changing my name to Devendorf.



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Dragon slayers

Cats easily defeat Drexel to notch 1st round NCAA Tournament win

By Britton Drown
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Senior forward Marlies Gipson scored a game-high 18 points and senior point guard Shalee Lehning broke a school record for assists in an NCAA tournament game with 13 as the fifth-seeded Wildcats cruised to a 68-44 victory over the Drexel Dragons in the first round of the NCAA Tournament Saturday night at The Pit at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque.

The 12th-seeded Dragons were without the assistance of their leading scorer, Gabriela Marginean, for the majority of the first half after she picked up two quick fouls in the first five minutes of the game without scoring.

Marginean, the Colonial Athletic Association preseason player of the year, remained on the Dragons' bench for the rest of the first half.

"I thought [Marginean's absence] was a huge factor in this game," said K-State head coach Deb Patterson. "Anytime you lose somebody early in the game of this magnitude, it puts a lot of pressure on everyone else and changes the flow a little bit."

Following Marginean's benching, K-State proceeded to mount a

9-0 run and regain the momentum it lost during the first five minutes of the game, when it fell behind the Dragons, 6-0.

The Wildcats continued to build momentum as the first half came to a close and they headed into halftime leading 26-19.

Marginean made her presence known in the second half by scoring 15 points. However, the Wildcats found their stroke from behind the arc, as junior guard Kari Kincaid opened the final 20 minutes with a deep 3-pointer from the wing.

"I was really pleased with perimeter shooting in the second half," Patterson said. "It was really neat to see it open up for us in the second half. I really appreciate the confidence and aggressiveness that Kelsey Nelson, Dani [Danielle] Zanotti, and Kincaid brought to the floor."

K-State shot 6-of-11 from beyond the arc in the second half. That perimeter shooting shut down the Drexel zone defense and propelled the Wildcats to a convincing finish against the Dragons.

The Wildcats (25-7) are scheduled to return to action tonight as they face the fourth-seeded Vanderbilt Commodores (25-8) at The Pit. Tipoff is set for 8:30 p.m. CDT with televised coverage on ESPN2.



Shalee Lehning drives against a Drexel defender in K-State's win Saturday night in Albuquerque, N.M. Lehning totaled 13 assists, breaking the school record for assists in a NCAA tournament game.

Joslyn Brown
COLLEGIAN

Wildcats come up short in San Diego, fall in 2nd round of NIT

By Brad Dornes
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Less than 48 hours after K-State's overtime victory against the Illinois State Redbirds in the first round of the NIT, the Wildcats flew to the California coast to play the San Diego State Aztecs.

The quick turnaround was an important factor in the Wildcats' 70-52 defeat on Friday night at the Jenny Craig Pavilion.

"We obviously played tired today," said head coach Frank Martin. "We were slow in everything we did. We were slow on offense and slow on defense."

K-State (22-12) was fatigued from the get-go, as the team only shot 32.4 percent from the field in the first half, but the Wildcats were able to keep it close by grabbing 15 offensive rebounds.

The Wildcats were without Jacob Pullen for most of the first half because of foul trouble. He picked up his second foul with 17:22 left in the first half.

Two days after scoring 32 points against Illinois State, Pullen had just three points and only played 18 total minutes in the game.

Despite the lack of production from Pullen, K-State only trailed the Aztecs 27-25 at halftime.

"I thought we scrapped," Martin said. "We tried. In the first half, we did some things to give us a chance. We just couldn't put the ball in the basket."

K-State was able to tie the score on a Dominique Sutton putback after halftime, but it was all downhill from there. Top-seeded San Diego State (25-9) would go on a 24-10 run to start the second half, which the fourth-seeded Wildcats were never able to recover from.

"The only thing that's disheartening to me is we did not play the last 20 minutes of the season the way we played the whole year," Martin said. "We battled our rear ends off all year. Regardless of what was thrown our way, we fought and fought and found a way."

The Aztec surge was led by Kyle Spain, who scored 14 of his 16 total points in the second half. Billy White and Richie Williams each scored in double-digits with 15 and 14 points, respectively.

Denis Clemente led K-State with 12 points and was the only Wildcat to score in double figures. Darren Kent finished his career as a Wildcat with eight points and six rebounds.



Dominique Sutton reacts to his team's play on Wednesday at Bramlage Coliseum during the second half of the Wildcats' NIT victory over Illinois State.

Jonathan Knight | COLLEGIAN

Cats drop 2 of 3 to open Big 12 play

By Blake Thorson
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

It was an up and down weekend for the K-State baseball team, as the No. 26 ranked Cats opened the Big 12 season with a three-game series against the No. 13 ranked Oklahoma Sooners at Tointon Family Stadium.

The Wildcats and junior ace A.J. Morris had a chance to show the nation Friday that their early success was no fluke against the high-powered Sooners. Morris and the Cats did not disappoint as they rolled to a 9-1 victory.

Morris was brilliant once again, throwing eight shutout innings while giving up only four hits and striking out a career-best 12 batters.

The strong outing pushed the right-hander's record to 6-0 on the season and lowered his big 12-leading ERA to 0.48.

At the plate, junior utility man Adam Muenster led the Wildcats with a 3-for-3 performance including a double, home run and two RBI. Sophomore third baseman Jason King also chipped in two hits and two RBI. Senior out-

fielder Jordan Cruz also drove in two runs for the Cats.

Saturday's match-up turned out to be quite a game.

The Cats jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the first inning but were unable to hold on to their lead as the Sooners responded with four runs in the third and five more in the fourth.

K-State battled back with a run in the fourth, three in the fifth and two in the sixth. A solo-home run by sophomore infielder Carter Jurica cut the lead to one in the eighth inning. The Cats then had the winning run on second base with two outs in the ninth but Muenster flied out to end the ball game and give the Sooners a 12-11 victory.

Freshman reliever Evan Marshall took the loss as he was unable to maintain the Wildcats' lead in relief of starter Lance Hoge.

While the pitching staff struggled, the bats continued to sizzle as the Wildcats pounded out 16 hits. However, only three went for extra bases and the Cats stranded seven runners.

Jurica led the Cats at the plate with four hits, three runs and two

RBI. Shortstop Drew Biery also continued his strong senior campaign with two hits, including his fourth home run of the season, and four RBI.

Sunday's game was one to forget, as the Sooners pounded the Wildcats' pitchers into submission in a 29-4 drubbing.

Freshman Kayvon Bahramzadeh, who had been brilliant this season, never recovered from a leadoff home run by the Sooners and failed to complete one inning, giving up seven runs on six hits.

The Sooners went on to tally 13 runs in the first and pounded out 16 more runs in the game. The strong wind blowing out to left field helped the Sooners record 11 home runs on the day.

The loss moved K-State to 18-5 on the season and 1-2 in conference play. It was the first time all season that the Cats have dropped two consecutive games.

The team will finish its 11-game homestand with a two-game set against Northwestern beginning Tuesday, with first pitch scheduled for 6:30 p.m. It will also be the first Quarter Hot Dog Night of the season.

Tennis team hits the skids

By Steve Berklund
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State women's tennis team didn't have the spring break it had hoped for as it lost a trio of matches against conference foes.

The Wildcats started their conference slate March 13 by visiting Ames, Iowa, to take on the Iowa State Cyclones.

The Cyclones sent the Wildcats home with their first loss against Iowa State in more than six matches as they lost 4-3 at the Ames Racquet and Fitness Club. The Wildcats won two of three matches to win the doubles point but only Vanessa Cottin and Mariya Slupska won singles matches.

After falling to the Cyclones, the Wildcat did not return to the court until Saturday as they played host to the Missouri Tigers, losing 4-3 at the Wamego Recreation Complex.

The Wildcats started off the afternoon winning the doubles point, but only Antea Huljev and Slupska managed to get on the scoreboard for the Wildcats. With the Wildcats losing 4-3 for the second consecutive time, coach Steve Bietau said

his team played hard throughout but came up a bit short.

"Both of those matches were hard-fought battles as the score indicates," Bietau said. "However, there were things that we didn't get done."

The Wildcats concluded their spring break Sunday losing for the third time in 10 days as they lost a 7-0 decision to the Colorado Buffaloes. The match featured the Buffaloes winning all three doubles matches and five of six singles matches in straight sets on their way to a shutout victory over the Wildcats.

Though the Wildcats were shut out for the fourth time this season, Bietau said he thought his team played well.

"We made some progress against Colorado," Bietau said. "The matches were a lot more competitive and this was one of the better teams we've played this spring, but that by no means, means that a loss is acceptable."

The Wildcats will return to the court Saturday as they travel to Stillwater, Okla. to take on the Oklahoma State Cowboys at 11 a.m.

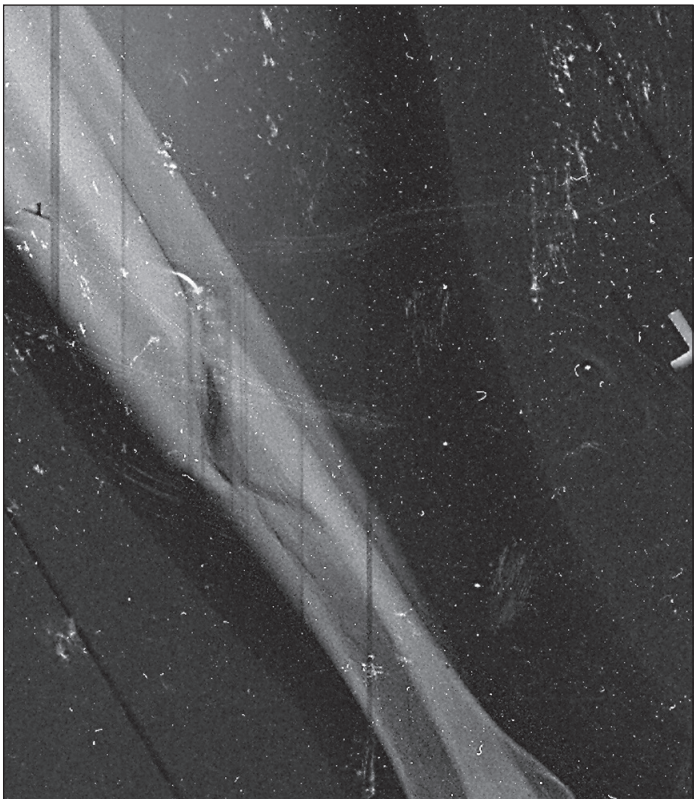
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Spring Broken



Above: Joel Aschbrenner, junior in print journalism, is taken by Ski Patrol medical sled from the slopes to Breckenridge Medical Clinic after hitting a patch of ice on the mountain and breaking his leg. **Left:** An X-ray taken minutes after the fall showed a contortion fracture of the left tibia in Aschbrenner's leg.

Skiing accident ruins vacation plans, breaks bone



JOEL ASCHBRENNER

My spring break plans were shattered almost as quickly as my left tibia.

I had planned to drive to Summit County, Colo., with a group of friends from K-State and ski several of the mountain resorts in the area for three days. Then I was going to meet my family in Colorado and head south to Crested Butte, Colo., where I was going to ski another three days.

My plans were ambitious, but I was determined to make them work and thrilled at the prospect of skiing for six days.

I ruined these plans, however, only hours into my trip.

MY CRASH

When I came to a halt after sliding about 100 yards, mostly on my face, from where I originally crashed, I sat up and examined myself, and tried to locate my skis and ski poles, which were scattered over the slope between me and where I fell. The crash jolted me, but I could still recount the accident.

I was zooming down Breckenridge's Peak 10 on a run, which is now infamous to me, called Centennial. As I have done far too often in the past, I was flying down the run, flirting with the speed at which I was risking losing total control of my skis and my ability to avoid bone-jarring crashes.

As I tore down the slope like an idiot who did not know any better, my left ski hit a small but menacing chunk of ice. The ice knocked my boot out of its binding, and my ski fell off. For a split second, I continued down the mountain on one ski, until my left boot dug into the ground and torqued my body, from my leg up, until I fell to the ground.

GETTING FIXED UP

As I sat on the snow collecting my thoughts, two considerate skiers brought me my skis and poles, which I lost in the fall.

I called a friend and told him I had crashed but was going to try to ski to the base to rest. When I tried to stand, I quickly found my left leg could not support any weight and was starting to throb. At that point, I called my friend again and told him that I would not be skiing anywhere and needed him to bring the Ski Patrol to me.

After the Ski Patrol respondent took me by sled to the Breckenridge Medical Clinic, I was quickly surrounded by several nurses and doctors who reacted in typical Colorado fashion. "Dude, that looks like a pretty gnarly break," one commented.

After getting X-rays of my leg, I discovered I did indeed have a "gnarly break" of my left tibia. I was then loaded up on potent painkillers and taken by ambulance to St. Anthony Summit Medic Center in Frisco, Colo. The doctors at St. Anthony were

able to set my bone without surgery, and put a cast on my left leg that reached from my toes to my upper thigh. I was trucked home a day later by my family, who dropped everything, including their own vacation plans, to take care of me.

LESSONS LEARNED

What I regret most about my self-inflicted injury is not the pain or the cumbersome cast I'll be wearing for months, but the fact that I ruined mine, and more importantly, my family's vacation.

Living in Kansas, any days of skiing are hard to come by, and it will be almost a year before I will have the chance to go skiing again. This, however, will give me a chance to save money and plan for next year's ski-trip. Look for me on the slopes next spring break – I'll be the one skiing a little more cautiously than before.

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Entertaining 'House' stretches the truth of medical reality



ELENA BUCKNER

Reality TV shows abound in pop culture, and not just in the "unreality" genre (think "A Shot at Love with Tila Tequila").

Shows like "House, M.D." and "Desperate Housewives" present a very realistic appearance, but how close to the truth are they?

There are countless shows to choose from, but there isn't room for all of them in this article. So instead, let's focus on just one: "House, M.D."

"House," as it is usually called by its viewers, is an Emmy Award-winning show that revolves around the character of Dr. Gregory House, played by Hugh Laurie, who is an expert infectious disease diagnostician who leads a team of disease specialists at a teaching hospital.

House is known for his miserable bedside manner and his ability to diagnose any and every disease and

then proceed to cure the patient.

The show is set in a hospital, which lends a sense of trustworthiness to the episodes, but is this medical drama truly accurate?

There are many things about the show that align completely with reality: House uses a cane because of an improperly diagnosed infarction in his leg – an actual medical condition that involves the death of tissue in an organ due to loss of blood supply.

In fact, all the medical cases seen on the show are actual conditions. Whether they would all happen to patients who come to the hospital where House works, however, is not quite as likely.

In addition to the unlikelihood of such an onslaught of rare cases, the work dynamic portrayed in the series would never happen in a real hospital.

The Salem Daily News interviewed dozens of nurses and doctors at a local medical facility and came up with the same answers.

House and his team would never have as much time to devote to each patient as they do on the show, these medical professionals said, adding that if a doctor had time to call meetings and discuss each and every patient that came into a hospital, it must be a very empty hospital.

Also, as an infectious disease specialist, House would be only a consultant on almost all the cases shown as his own patients, not the primary doctor.

Most importantly, nurses and doctors alike stressed the fact that nurses have more input than is shown on the program and have the knowledge and ability to care for and make decisions about patients, consulting doctors only on larger issues when they make their rounds.

It would be a nurse, not a doctor, they said, who sits with a patient and talks about their life, not some doctor on a team of specialists.

Though "House" glamorizes the medical profession and makes it seem cool to be a crusty, antisocial medical genius, the show fails to document and illustrate the massive amounts of time, paperwork and sponge baths that go into healing a sick person.

"House" might be one of the more realistic shows on TV right now, but it still manages to stretch the truth into something much more attractive than it is in reality.

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Dr. House, played by Hugh Laurie, gives unrealistic individual attention to his patients.

WEEKLY HOROSCOPES



Aries March 21 - April 19

You'll be punished for playing God this week, which isn't surprising, considering the cockney accent, exaggerated limp and thick head of curly blonde hair you gave Him.



Taurus April 20 - May 20

NASA officials will once again select you for a very important mission. Though, to be fair, going out and getting them coffee isn't as exciting as it used to be.



Gemini May 21 - June 21

All of your money problems will soon be solved, including how many more quarters Suzie has than Scott, and what, if any change, Michael should get back from Michelle.



Cancer June 22 - July 22

After years of painstaking research and rigorous clinical trials, medical science still doesn't have an answer for why you're such a jerk.



Leo July 23 - Aug. 22

That bottle of whiskey might help you sleep, but then there's probably an easier way than smashing it over your head every night.



Virgo Aug. 23 - Sept. 22

You'll be praised for your contributions in the field of forensic science, though much of the credit should go to the barbed wire, the hydrofluoric acid and the radial arm saw.



Libra Sept. 23 - Oct. 23

Previously on Libra — "Is that ... could it be ... yes, it's the tall, dark stranger!" "Welcome to Sydney, madam, I hope last night's journey over water was to your liking." "32, 8, 17"



Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 21

You'll soon discover three new planets, a dwarf star, and two orbiting satellites — an incredible achievement for someone just trying to peer in on his neighbor.



Sagittarius Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

A mixture of dread, anxiety and complete and utter disgust will be yours this week when the nation's housing blister finally bursts.



Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

You'll soon bathe in the blood of your enemies, though not before a number of rather embarrassing and blatant hints from your friends.



Aquarius Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

Avoid staring directly at the stars this week, as a rider in their contract forbids anyone from making eye contact with them.



Pisces Feb. 19 - March 20

You've spent years living in a fantasy world, which is rather unfortunate, as it's one dreamed up by that hack Robert Jordan.

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Grocery store offers global food options



Joslyn Brown | COLLEGIAN
International Foods is located just south of the Tuttle Creek Boulevard and Kimball Avenue intersection at 2048 Tuttle Creek Blvd. They offer foods from all over the world, including: China, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, India, Puerto Rico, the Middle East and southwest Asia.

By Jason Miller
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Manhattan International Foods, which opened in 1983, offers its customers an eclectic variety of food from around the globe.

What started as a primarily Korean grocery soon began carrying a wider variety of foods from the international community, and in 2002, International Foods was purchased by former K-State professor Lou Heaton and his wife, Analiza. Since purchasing the store, the pair have continued to expand the selection to meet the growing needs of Manhattan and K-State. The store offers food from China, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, India, Puerto Rico, the Middle East and southwest Asia.

“We have a lot of food from India, Pakistan and all the Middle East,” said Analiza Heaton. “They don’t have any place to buy food here, so we try to carry foods that international students and families can’t get at other stores here.”

True to its name, International Foods offers everything from Goya products and curry to bulk bags of

Thai rice and wasabi peas. One aisle is devoted entirely to different types of ramen-style noodles.

“In Wal-Mart and Dillons, I don’t find things that come from my home country, like spices, oil and rice,” said Shanker Rao, graduate student in genetics. “They [Manhattan International] have the same brands coming directly from India, the same things I used to cook with in India, I can get here.”

Rao moved to Manhattan from New Delhi two years ago to begin his doctorate program. He said he struggled to find a good selection of international foods in Manhattan until his friends told him about Manhattan International Foods.

There are two large freezers in the back that house fish like mackerel and milkfish, round scad, calamari, mussels, squid, and seafood mix bags. Every Tuesday, Heaton travels to Wichita and picks up fresh produce to restock the store. International Foods sells grains by weight and also has several bulk items for sale. Special orders can also be arranged in some circumstances.

Aside from the products, the Heatons said they pride themselves on the customer service offered at Manhattan International Foods. Carrying international foods in a smaller city has brought with it a familiar set of faces.

“I remember back before there were grocery stores, in every town I lived in there was the same store in the neighborhood with the same lady at the checkout counter. It was always the same people working there, and they knew us and we knew them,” Lou said. “It’s the same way here.”

For students without transportation who wish to purchase some truly authentic international foods, K-State provides a bus from Jardine Hall to Manhattan International Foods every Saturday morning.

In addition to the food products, the store also offers a selection of calling cards. These phone cards advertise low rates to the specific countries that represent some of K-State’s international student population.

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Break affects local businesses

By Elizaveta Zheganina
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Lacking a large portion of the student population during spring break, Manhattan remained a quieter, albeit vibrant town, in which those who stayed sought shopping and entertainment.

Many Manhattan retailers continued to experience steady business even with the lack of student population. Since the weather was nice during the majority of the week, Acme Gift, a small florist and gift shop in Aggieville, attracted many families, said Jenny Willis, the store's manager.

"Typically we see a downfall, but this year is different," Willis said. "We have been steady, fortunately."

However, Willis said the number of flowers sold has dropped since the florist does a considerable amount of business with sororities when school is in session.

Envy, a fashion retailer in Aggieville, has been even busier than usual, said Katie Jlas, the store's manager. Families, high school students and visitors to Manhattan for spring break purchased mostly warm-weather clothes, and the store kept the same hours as usual.

"It was kind of a surprise," Jlas said. "We were thinking we would not be this busy."

Kite's Bar and Grille was another steady attraction for customers during the break. The location has been

packed for lunches, dinners and late nights alike, said Julie Nelson, assistant manager.

"Anybody who stays in town wants to go out and do something," Nelson said.

Kite's also attracted more families than usual during the week.

"[Families] like to wait 'til the students are gone from town," Nelson said.

While activity in Aggieville became a little slower during the break, it still boasted considerable activity, said Lt. Kurt Moldrup of Riley County Police Department. Many students who stayed in town and did not have any school-related obligations went out during the week, he said, adding that the warm weather only intensified this trend.

"It may slow a bit, but not tremendously," Moldrup said.

However, places that usually serve as study destinations were considerably quieter. Radina's Coffeehouse and Bakery closed early the entire week, said baristas Chris Maxwell and Hannah Brummer.

While on any given Saturday afternoon the line of customers would be to the door, the atmosphere was less crowded during the last Saturday of spring break, even though it was opening day for the coffeehouse's spacious additional lounge room.

Similarly, the local Starbucks did not gather the usual studying crowd in the evenings.

Drive brings in used prom dresses

By Jacie Noel
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Apparel Marketing and Design Alliance has partnered with the Chi Omega sorority to collect used prom dresses and accessories for the "Cinderella Project," an event in which local high school girls can shop for prom. The event will be Saturday, March 28 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the city auditorium in City Hall.

Matt Kritis, a graduate adviser, said he started the project as an undergraduate at the University of Missouri. He did it for two years there and after coming to K-State, he and Joy Kozar, assistant professor, decided to do the project here. Kritis was in charge of getting students to help plan the project.

"The whole idea of recycling prom dresses is part of our mission," Kritis said.

Chi-Omega president Tara Allen said Chi-Omega decided to co-sponsor the "Cinderella Project" with AMDA because they had many girls involved in the organization.

"We thought it was a great way to give back to the Manhattan community," Allen said. "We all have so many dresses, shoes and accessories that we never use anymore from high school dances, so why not donate them to a worthy cause?"

Kritis said it wasn't difficult to collect the prom dresses and accessories and the organizations have collected almost 200 dresses already. Kritis said Chi Omega was a great partner in collecting from different sororities and from its own members.

Besides getting items from sororities, Kritis said Chi Omega members posted signs and posters and talked to other organizations in the community about donating. He said they also worked with Fairy Godmothers, a service organization in the community. Fairy Godmothers is a group of older women that aims to help out other women in the community. They have also been in contact with the Manhattan High School so it can help advertise.

On the shopping day, there will be volunteers to help girls pick out their size, help try on dresses and help pick out accessories. Kritis said they also received donations from businesses, so there will be prom-related door prizes such as salon gift certificates or free corsages as well.

Allen said she hopes Chi Omega can be a part of the "Cinderella Project" in the future.

"I hope that the outcome of this project benefits all of the local Manhattan girls who are looking for a prom dress," Allen said.

Kritis said it is really nice to get the community together.

"It's been a good program for us to go out and reach to other people and to show the community that the campus cares about them," Kritis said.

Allen said beyond the goal of recycling prom dresses, helping girls in the community is a great benefit.

"I think every girl deserves to look and feel her best at prom and if the 'Cinderella Project' can help a girl do so, then our goal has been accomplished," Allen said.

FAA: Children among 17 dead in Montana plane crash

Associated Press

BUTTE, Mont. (AP) – A small plane crashed Sunday as it approached an airport in Montana, killing 17 people, including several children, a Federal Aviation Administration spokesman said.

The single engine turboprop plane crashed about 500 feet from the airport in Butte while attempting to land, said spokesman Mike Fergus. The Montana Standard reported in an online story that it crashed in Butte's Holy Cross Cemetery.

The aircraft had departed from Oroville, Calif., and the pilot had filed a flight plan showing a destination of Bozeman, about 85 miles southeast of Butte. But the pilot canceled his flight plan at some point and headed for

Butte, Fergus said.

Preliminary reports indicate the dead include numerous children, he said. There were no known fatalities on the ground, he added.

"We think that it was probably a ski trip for the kids," Fergus said.

The plane was registered to Eagle Cap Leasing Inc. in Enterprise, Ore., Fergus said. He didn't know who was operating the plane.

Calls to local authorities were not immediately returned.

Witnesses told the Standard that they saw the plane go into a nosedive into the cemetery.

Martha and Steve Guidoni, who were at a gas station across from the cemetery, said the plane "just nose-dived

into the ground."

"My husband went over there to see if he could do anything," Martha Guidoni said.

Fergus said the Pilatus PC-12 aircraft was manufactured in 2001.

National Transportation Safety Board spokesman Keith Holloway said its investigators were expected to arrive in Butte late Sunday or early Monday.

The incident was the country's third major plane crash this year. All 155 people onboard survived after a US Airways jetliner landed in New York's Hudson River in January when a flock of geese disabled both engines, and a commuter plane fell on a house in a suburb of Buffalo, N.Y., killing all 49 passengers and a man in the home in February.

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SHAPE informs, teaches leadership

By Jacie Noel
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Sexual Health Awareness Peer Educators, whose purpose is for students to learn about sexual health and then give presentations about it to other students, is recruiting members for fall 2009.

SHAPE is a two-semester process. The first semester is a class in which members learn about sexually transmitted diseases, HIV/AIDS, the health services K-State offers and promoting safe sex. After learning the information, members will give presentations to classes, residence halls, fraternities, sororities or groups of friends.

"Everyone is required to schedule one presentation and they get extra credit for every one given after," said Kelsie Hageman, junior in pre-health.

SHAPE classes are also worth three credit hours and after completing training, members are certified American Red Cross HIV Educators.

During presentations, there are condom races in which two people are blindfolded and spun around and then they have to put a condom on a banana. It is to show how hard it is to put a condom on in the dark while being drunk. They also show you what to check for before using a condom.

"SHAPE is not to promote sex or embarrass anyone, but to educate," said Kerry Herndon, senior in secondary education.

Adviser Carol Kennedy said SHAPE is for all majors and backgrounds. Anyone can join and according to members, they are looking for more diversity.

SHAPE is also a way to improve public speaking. Deanna Coughlin, junior in family studies, said her public speaking has greatly improved.

"You start out uncomfortable but as time progresses, you just don't care," Coughlin said. "You're just not scared of presentations anymore."

One of the reasons Hageman joined was so she could not be awkward talking about potentially uncomfortable issues as a pre-medicine major.

"I'm going to have to talk to patients about all sorts of things," Hageman said. "The topic interests me as well."

While they are promoting information, SHAPE members said they still enjoy the class.

"It's a lot of fun," Herndon said. "We all get along very well."

Shaina Griggs, junior in family studies, said she thinks people should join SHAPE because of how important it is to all individuals.

"It is a fun class but you also get good experience," Griggs said.

To join SHAPE, fill out the application online at www.k-state.edu/lafene/SHAPE. Applications can be e-mailed or taken to Lafene Health Center.

Republican leaders predict doomsday if Obama-proposed budget passes

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) – Congressional Republicans on Sunday predicted a doomsday scenario of crushing debt and eventual federal bankruptcy if President Barack Obama's massive spending blueprint wins passage.

But a White House adviser dismissed the negative assessments, saying she is "incredibly confident" that the president's policies will "do the job" for the economy.

In a TV interview, Obama himself laughed when discussing the dire state of parts of the economy – and ascribed his laughter to "gallows humor."

White House Council of Economic Advisers chairwoman Christina Romer insisted that the nation's flailing economy will be rebounding by 2010.

Administration officials – and the president himself – have taken a cheerier tone despite economic indicators that are anything but positive.

"I have every expectation, as do private forecasters, that we will bottom out this year and actually be growing again by the end of the year," Romer said.

The president, in an interview that aired Sunday on CBS News' "60 Minutes," talked about the need to spend taxpayer money to save financial firms and the auto industry.

"I just want to say that the only thing less popular than putting money into banks is putting money into the auto industry," Obama said with a laugh.

Interviewer Steve Kroft asked how that laughter might be perceived, given the economy's troubles.

"There's got to be a little gallows humor to get you through the day," Obama said. "If you had said to us a year ago that the least of my problems would be Iraq, which is still a pretty serious problem, I don't think anybody would have believed it."

Republicans say Obama's budget is no laughing matter.

Senate Republicans warned of deficits that could climb to \$20 trillion in coming years and a weakened dollar if Obama and his Democratic allies get their proposed \$3.6 trillion budget plan passed.

"The practical implications of this is bankruptcy for the United States," said Sen. Judd Gregg, R-N.H. "There's no other way around it. If we maintain the proposals which are in this budget over the 10-year period that this budget covers, this coun-



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try will go bankrupt. People will not buy our debt; our dollar will become devalued."

Sen. Susan Collins, a Maine Republican who sided with Obama on his \$787 billion economic stimulus plan, said she couldn't support the White House plan this time.

"It would double the public debt in 5 years, triple it in 10 years. ... That is not sustainable. It poses a threat to the basic health of our economy," Collins said.

Sen. Richard Shelby of Alabama, the top Republican on the banking committee, said Obama would have to scale back his budget, given a Congressional Budget Office report Friday that the president's budget would produce \$9.3 trillion in deficits over the next decade – more than four times the deficits of Republican George W. Bush's presidency.

Shelby predicted that number could reach \$20 trillion in coming years as Obama guides the country to "the fast road to financial destruction."

North Dakota Democrat Kent Conrad, chairman of the Senate budget committee, acknowledged, "We cannot have debt pile on top of debt." He added: "In the short term, yes, we have got to have added deficits and debt to give lift to this economy, but longer term, we have got to pivot."

The CBO predicted a deficit of \$2.3 trillion worse than what the administration projected. Romer downplayed those numbers.

"There is a question whether CBO is right. So we know that forecasts – both of what the economy is going to do and of what the budget deficits are going to do – are highly uncertain," she said.

Asked the level of her confidence in an improving economy, Romer was concise: "Incredibly confident. ... We absolutely think that they are going to do the job for the American economy."

Vice President Joe Biden's economic adviser said the administration was open to negotiate with lawmakers. "We don't expect these folks to sign on the dotted line," Jared Bernstein said.

However, he added, "What we do expect and what we are going to stand very firm on, because this president, this vice president have made this clear, that there are these priorities that brought them to the dance here: energy reform, health care reform, education, all done in the context of a budget that cuts the deficit in half over our first term."

Bernstein and Conrad spoke on ABC's "This Week." Romer spoke on "Fox News Sunday" and CNN's "Face the Nation." Shelby spoke on "Fox News Sunday." Gregg appeared on CNN's "State of the Union."

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